
Subject: Re: What does it means M2A\$1 - DHS Women's dataset

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Multiple or repeating records are placed one after the other, with the maximum number of occurrences of each section being represented in every case. Each variable in a repeating section is placed immediately after the preceding variable of the same occurrence, such that all variables for occurrence 1 precede all variables for occurrence 2 of a section. Each occurrence of every such variable must have its own name because statistical packages do not generally support the use of arrays or subscripts. For example, the third occurrence of the variable named M2A would be named M2A\$03 in SPSS, or M2A_03 in SAS and STATA.
